

DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

Special Shrimp Season Closure,
Remainder of Zone 1 and All of Zone 2

In accordance with the emergency provisions of R.S. 49:953(B) and R.S. 49:967 of the Administrative Procedure Act which allows the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to use emergency procedures to set shrimp seasons, and R.S. 56:497 which provides that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission shall have the authority to open or close outside waters by zone each year as it deems appropriate upon inspection of and based upon technical and biological data which indicates that marketable shrimp, in sufficient quantities, are available for harvest, and a resolution adopted by the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission on December 3, 2009 which authorizes the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries to open and close special shrimp seasons in any portion of state inside waters where such a season would not detrimentally impact developing brown shrimp populations, the Secretary hereby declares:

That the special shrimp season in the remaining portion of Shrimp Management Zone 1 including all state territorial waters seaward of the inside/outside shrimp line as described in LA R.S. 56:495 from the Mississippi/Louisiana state line to the western shore of South Pass at the Mississippi River at 89 degrees 08 minutes 42 seconds west longitude and all inshore waters of Zone 2 shall close at 6:00 p.m., May 4, 2010.

Robert J. Barham
Secretary

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